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## **TXDOT ANNOUNCES FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF US 190/ FM 2410**

(KILLEEN, TEXAS): The Texas Department of Transportation acknowledged the acceptance and completion of the City's US Highway 190/ FM 2410 project Wednesday. Acceptance of the project shifts maintenance responsibility to the state and continues state reimbursement payments to the City.

"City Council and staff had a vision of this project in 2008 and construction began in 2013," Public Works Director David Olson said. "It is a proud day for all of us at the City of Killeen to see years of hard work come to fruition. This project has helped improve daily commutes for our citizens and helped alleviate congestion in heavily traveled areas."

The project was part of TxDOT's Pass-Through Finance Program designed to deliver transportation improvements to the region. The program allowed the City to advance fund the project to accomplish it sooner and be reimbursed by the state over time. This funding mechanism was also used for the State Highway 195/State Highway 201 project, which was completed in 2013.

The US 190/ FM 2410 project raised the highway over the Rosewood Drive intersection, connected Rosewood Drive under the highway and widened FM 2410 from Stan Schlueter Loop to the Harker Heights city limit. Total construction cost for the project was \$23,033,471.21.

The stretch of work was part of a larger US 190 widening project from the Fort Hood Main Gate to Harker Heights. This \$88.6 million investment is directly related to the highway's recent Interstate 14 designation.